

are so strong that every time he falls back on them, he actually extinguishes himself in the causes of others.

His first house North Node now brings to him the awareness that somehow he has lost his identity. Submerged in the desire to please, he has made himself a reflection of an ideal peculiarly opposite to his own basic nature. This causes him much current-life pain as he desires to come out of himself while at the same time not inflict hurt upon those near him.

He must ultimately learn how to assume gracefully the role of leadership. This is extremely difficult, because he has had so much prior-life experience in being submissive. He has sacrificed himself so that others could achieve their goals.

All of his important experiences revolved around docile acquiescence. Now the highest growth potential is to establish a sense of self without shutting off completely the benefits of marriage and partnerships. Too often when he becomes aware of all he has sacrificed through his South Node, he becomes an extremist, feeling that one state of existence inhibits the other. He starts focusing every part of the life energy around the desire to lead rather than to be led. Through an instinctive knowledge that his Achilles heel or weak spot is in the ways that he can allow himself to be put into the position of being taken advantage of in marriage, he develops the tendency to become too over-assertive. He tries too hard to make up for what he feels he has lost.

To achieve happiness in the current life, he must learn how to balance equally his own needs with those around him. He must deliberately try not to rush his own growth and independence, with the understanding that the most beautiful flower takes time to blossom, while only the weed grows quickly!

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways in which the individual during former incarnations submerged himself in others. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which he can now establish his own sense of identity.

SECOND HOUSE NORTH NODE—EIGHTH HOUSE SOUTH NODE

The individual with these Nodes spends a good amount of his current-life energies on the darker side of life. From past incarnations he has secrets which he now spends most of his time guarding carefully. His greatest difficulty is in attempting to lead a life which is beyond reproach for his lower self is powerfully strong.

He desires light, but with every step he takes toward it the aching of his guilt-ridden subconscious blocks the road.

He has had much prior-life experience behind closed doors, where the eyes of open society failed to look. He is even accustomed to creating deceitful circumstances where there were none before.

Actually, he is testing the limits of other people's values, and while many may know him closely, none will know him well.

Inside, he is highly nervous for fear of others unlocking his secret doors; for well he knows that he is undermining nearly everything he touches. Yet he has the self-assuredness to believe that all will go well no matter where his sometimes immoral adventures continue to lead him.

Because this individual has not yet established his own sense of values, he tries desperately to study the values of others. In so doing, he inadvertently pushes others off their track and therefore can be a threat to all that others hold near and dear. In former incarnations he destroyed much of his own value systems, so now he finds it difficult to understand why others cherish the things they do. He doesn't have his own stake in this life, so with nothing to lose he feels free to claim-jump the stakes of others. Usually, this is accomplished in such subtle fashion that it is extremely difficult to recognize.

There is also strong past-life residue of sexual misuse. He has learned to think of his sexuality as his strength, using it as foothold to gain possession of